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(*d*) Up till May 1928

(*e*) The subdivision was in charge of the works mentioned in clause (*a*) above.

(*f*) & (*g*) The subdivision was abolished, as the Chief Engineer reported that the work could be attended to by a supervisor working under the direct orders of the Executive Engineer, Godavari Headworks division.

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI :—" May I know whether the work was done satisfactorily till May 1928 under the old arrangement ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" So far as I am aware, the separate subdivision was abolished for the reason that it was an expensive arrangement."

Improvements to the head sluice of the supply canal to the Kanigiri reservoir.

* 746 *Q.*—Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) at what stage the question of improving and increasing the number of vents at the head sluice of the supply canal to the Kanigiri reservoir in Nellore district is ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that owing to the deficiency of rain and precarious freshes in the river Pennar, sufficient water could not be let out into the supply canal from the river ; and

(*c*) whether the Government will consider the advisability of putting up falling shutters on the Sangam anicut to stop wastage of water ?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The Government have called for a report from the Chief Engineer.

Land Assignment

Assignment of lands to ex-military men in South Arcot.

* 747 *Q.*—Mr. R. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of men recruited from South Arcot for military service during the Great War ;

(*b*) how many of them applied for a grant of land, either by themselves or through their relations or heirs ;

(*c*) how many of the applicants have been so assigned lands up to date ; and

(*d*) the number of cases still pending assignment ?

A.—(*a*) One thousand eight hundred and forty-three combatants and 1,481 non-combatants.

(*b*) to (*d*) The following are the particulars of the applications for grants of land on account of service in the army received in the South Arcot district from October 1924 to 30th September 1928 :—

Number of applications received	679
Number of assignments made	298
Number of applications rejected	380
Number pending on 30th September 1928 ...	1

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It is not known how many of these applications were from men recruited from South Arcot district for military service in the Great War and how many from men who enlisted before the war or who lived in other districts. Figures relating to applications made before October 1924 are not available.

Assignment of the kuttai poramboke in Modalli village, Kollegal taluk.

*748 Q.—Mr. C. V. VENKATARAMANA AYYANGAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether survey field No. 879 (kuttai poramboke) in the village of Modalli of Kollegal taluk in the Coimbatore district has been handed over by the Revenue authorities to the Taluk Board of Kollegal and, if so, for what reasons and under what conditions;

(*b*) whether the taluk board has passed a resolution that the land may be granted on darkhast to one Sivappa and, if so, whether the grant was made in spite of objections;

(*c*) whether the kuttai and the land around it are used by the villagers of the abovesaid Modalli and neighbouring villages for supplying water to their cattle and for giving them rest; and

(*d*) whether the taluk board have applied to the Revenue authorities to give effect to its resolution and whether the Revenue authorities have passed final orders in the matter and, if so, to what effect?

A.—A petition from the residents of Kamakarai Kongaralli village, Kollegal taluk, Coimbatore district, stating that the taluk board had proposed the assignment on darkhast of S. No. 879 of Modalli village to one Sivappa and objecting to its assignment was received by the Government. It was transferred to the President, District Board, Coimbatore, in original in September last. The Government have no further information on the subject but have called for a report.

Assignment of the tank-bed of the Owk tank in Koilkuntla taluk.

*749 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased in view of the answer given to my question No. 352 regarding assignment of the tank-bed of the Owk tank in Koilkuntla taluk, on 8th October 1928—

(i) to call for the information asked for in clauses (*a*) to (*d*) of that question; and

(ii) to state—

(*a*) whether or not applications were made by the local ryots to the Collector and were rejected; and

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, why they were so rejected?

A.—As it is open to any of the interested parties to appeal to the Board of Revenue and if necessary to the Government if dissatisfied with the orders of subordinate authorities, the Government do not propose to call for a report on the points referred to in the question.